



CROFTING CATTLE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME – 2018 - 2019

Cattle Passports

This advice note clarifies the position regarding cattle passports and procedures for the SGRPID bulls.

The following procedure now applies:

Passports for and movements of Scottish Government bulls should now be treated as with any other cattle.

When a bull is delivered to a Grazings committee or group the passport will be handed over to the new keeper. SGRPID will record the off movement from the stud. When returning the bull to the Scottish Government Bull Stud Knocknagael, the Grazings committee or group will be responsible for the immediate recording of the off movement.

Where the Grazings committee is the Scheme applicant it will be responsible for recording only the on movement to the Township at the commencement of the hire and the off movement when the bull is returned to the Scottish Government.

In all other types of group all movements subsequent to the bulls delivery, including all movements between crofts should be recorded by the individual holdings involved, ensuring movements are recorded using the registered location code with BCMS.

When SGRPID uplifts the bull for wintering or at the end of the hire period the passport should be passed to the driver. Bulls will not be uplifted without passports under any circumstances.

Groups or the members of the group will be responsible for replacing any passports that go missing during the time they are responsible for the bull/s.

Where a passport has no movement cards on its return to SGRPID, SGRPID will arrange for the reissue of the passport to the Bull Stud. There have been difficulties with this in the past with passports being returned to crofts where that was the last recorded on movement, this should not now occur. In the unlikely event that this should occur please advise SGRPID immediately.

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